

37th Annual Iris Festival SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



IRIS FESTIVAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Chairperson: Dresden Rotary Club, Colin Johnson, 514-0858
Gather your golf buddies and make this 3-man scramble part of your Iris Festival celebration. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and tee off will follow at 12:30 p.m. at Persimmon Hills Golf Course. Advance registration is required. The cost to play is \$150 per team. Forms are available at Simons Bank in Dresden, BancorpSouth, Dresden City Hall or from any Dresden Rotary member. Cash prizes will be awarded and lunch will be provided free of cost.

FAIRY TALE FEAST

Chairpersons: Brittany Robinson, 514-7037
Bring your children to visit with their favorite fairytale characters at Dresden Elementary School cafeteria from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. Admission to this event is free, and refreshments will be provided.

FASHION SHOW

Chairperson: Urban Designs, Emily Dunn, 364-3664
Come to the Purple Iris located at the Dresden Court Square and check out the latest fashions from Northwest Tennessee! The show will begin at 7:00 p.m. This year, we will be featuring stores from Dresden and several surrounding towns. Wear your latest knock-out outfit, sit back, relax, and enjoy our show! Tickets can be purchased in advance from Urban Designs; advance tickets are \$8.00. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$10.00. Free admission for children 5 years or younger.

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2016

TENNESSEE IRIS FESTIVAL IRIS AND HORTICULTURE SHOW
Chairpersons: Shirley Chappell 456-2213 or 514-7306

Bring your favorite plants, flowers, and mixed arrangements to Dresden First Unit-ed Methodist Church. Entries will be taken from 7:30 - 9:30 a.m., and judging will begin at 9:45 a.m. This event is open to public viewing from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. There will also be a new "Best of Show Iris" award given this year!! Entries and awards must be picked up by 4:00 p.m.

CORNER CAFÉ

Chairperson: Jan Everett, 364-

5293 (home), 364-2419 (church)
Enjoy a wonderful meal prepared by the United Methodist Women at the Dresden First United Methodist Church from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for \$8.00.

QUILT SHOW

Chairperson: Gail Rogers, 364-5678
The show continues from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the McWherter Civic Center. See event under Thursday, May 5th for more information.

TENNESSEE IRIS FESTIVAL BBQ COOK OFF

Chairperson: Willie Parker, 731-514-1244
Returning to the Iris Festival this year is the BBQ Cook-off! Local cooks will compete on Moore Street (across from the Farmer's Market). Please contact the chair person regarding entry fees, food categories, and any other questions!

TENNESSEE IRIS FESTIVAL MUSIC FEST

Chairperson: Joey Winstead, 431-6396
Come to the Dresden Farmers Market at Terry Oliver Plaza and enjoy a great night of food, hot rods, antique cars, and live music from local talet. Festivities begin at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016 5K RACE, 2 MILE WALK, 1 MILE KIDS FUN RUN, & .25 TOT RUN

Chairperson: Todd Maxey, 364-6786 or 514-6401 and Dusty Gibson, irun4tn@yahoo.com
The races will be held right off the Dresden Court Square at the corner of Main Street and Poplar Street in Dresden. The first 75 entries, 5K only, will receive a grab bag. 5K Race is \$15.00 in advance (deadline April

14th) or \$20.00 on the day of the race beginning at 8:00 a.m., 2 mile walk \$10.00 beginning at 8:00 a.m., 1 Mile Fun Run, for kids ages 5-12 years will be \$10.00 beginning at 7:30 a.m., and 5 and under Tot Run \$8.00 immediately following the 5K. For Registration form please visit www.tennesseeirisfestival.net.

TENNESSEE IRIS FESTIVAL PARADE

Chairperson: Penny Gallimore, 364-3131
Find your favorite spot along the NEW parade route to see this year's entries and our wonderful dignitaries, royalties, and honored guests as they parade through Dresden in celebration of the 37th Annual Tennessee Iris Festival. The parade begins at 10:00 a.m. You can find a highlighted map of the NEW parade route in this booklet. Advance registration for entry is required by Friday, May 6, 2016. Entries forms available at Simmons Bank, Dresden and at tennesseeirisfestival.net.

PARADE YARD PARTY COMPETITION

The Tennessee Iris Festival Executive Board invites the homes and businesses along the Parade route to make the Parade even more festive by hosting a "Yard Party" during the Parade. If you do not live along the Parade route and want to host a party combine your hosting skills with someone who does for a morning of celebrating this year's theme, "The Vintage Iris". The Mayor's Choice Award for the best "Parade Yard Party" will be awarded a sign to display in the winning yard and a Festive Gift Basket. For more information please call 514-8727 or 514-1605.

GOVERNOR'S LUNCHEON
Chairpersons: Melina Goode and Beverly Oliver
Gather at the Farmer's Market

Pavilion at the Terry Oliver Plaza to close the festival week and to recognize and thank those who served to make it a success. The program and meal will begin at 12:00 noon. In the event of rain, the event will be moved to Dresden Elementary School. The Iris Festival Luncheon is open to the public. Purchase of tickets is required in advance, and the cost is \$10.00 each. Tickets are available at Dresden City Hall and Simmons Bank in Dresden.

PET SHOW

Chairperson: Chris Mallon, 364-5522
Bring your pets to A to Z Vet Supply, 9876 Highway 22, Dresden at 2:00 p.m. and show off their beauty and talent in a variety of categories. There will be several categories for all of your pets! No entry fee is required.

BLACK AND BLUE ALUMNI FOOTBALL GAME

Chairperson: Jake Doster, 514-9285
"The Black and Blue Bowl is back! The 2nd annual fundraising

event between the Dresden High School alumni and the Westview High School alumni promises to be another battle to the finish. Come out and support your community and catch some hard hitting football action! Last year's event raised over \$8,000 between the two programs and this year looks to be an even bigger success. Tickets are \$10 with \$5 of every pre-sold ticket going the program in which they are purchased from. Pre-sale tickets are available from any alumni football player, Dresden High School, Chad's Smokehouse, Urban Designs, First Choice Rentals and Simmons Bank. T-shirts and con-cessions will also be available. *NOTICE: NO MONEY IS KEPT FROM TICKET SALES AT THE GATE. PLEASE, PURCHASE PRE-SALE TICKETS"

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